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Berkeley (BRK) (10006) 3000 Telegraph Avenue Berkeley, CA 94705

Blithedale (BLD) (10337) 731 East Blithedale Mill Valley, CA 94941

Blossom Hill (BLL) (10320) 1140 Blossom Hill Rd. San Jose, CA 95115

Campbell (CBL) (10033) 1690 South Bascom Avenue Campbell, CA 95008

Capitola (CAP) (10365) 1710 41st Ave Capitola, CA 95010

Coddingtown (COD) (10370) 390 Coddingtown Mall Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Franklin (FRK) (10044) 1765 California Street San Francisco, CA 94109 Fresno (FRS) (10122) 650 W. Shaw Ave Fresno, CA 93704

Harrison (HAR) (10221) 230 Bay Place Oakland, CA 94612

Los Altos (LAT) (10155) 4800 El Camino Real Los Altos, CA 94022

Los Gatos (LGT) (10027) 15980 Los Gatos Blvd. Los Gatos, CA 95032

Mill Valley (MLV) (10009) 414 Miller Avenue Mill Valley, CA 94941

Monterey (MRY) (10087) 800 Del Monte Center Monterey, CA 93940

Napa (NPA) (10288) 3682 Bel Aire Plaza Napa, CA 94558

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Novato (NOV) (10234) 790 DeLong Ave Novato, CA 94945 Palo Alto (PAL) (10005) 774 Emerson Street Palo Alto, CA 94301

Petaluma (PET) (10138) 621 E. Washington Street Petaluma, CA 94952

Potrero Hill (PTH) (10238) 450 Rhode Island San Francisco, CA 94107

Redwood City (RED) (10154) 1250 Jefferson A Redwood City, CA 94063

Roseville (ROS) (10230) 1001 Galleria Blvd Roseville, CA 95678

San Mateo (SMT) (10150) 1010 Park Place San Mateo, CA 94403

San Rafael (SRF) (10071) 340 Third Street San Rafael, CA 94901

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Santa Rosa (SRS) (10139) 1181 Yulupa Ave. Santa Rosa, CA 95405

Sebastopol (SEB) (10137) 6910 McKinley Street Sebastopol, CA 95472

SoMa (SOM) (10151) 399 4th Street San Francisco, CA 94107

Sonoma (SNM) (10281) 201 West Napa Street #11 Sonoma, CA 95476

Stanyan (STN) (10362) 690 Stanyan Street San Francisco, CA 94117

Stevens Creek (STC) (10267) 20955 Stevens Creek Blvd Cupertino, CA 95014

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Brentwood (BRT) (10074) 11737 San Vicente Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90049

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Huntington Beach (HTB) (10399) 7881 Edinger Ave. Suite 150 Huntington Beach, CA 92647 Jamboree (JAM) (10231) 2847 Park Avenue Tustin, CA 92780

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La Jolla (LAJ) (10066) 8825 Villa La Jolla Drive LaJolla, CA 92037

Long Beach (LBC) (10442) 6550 E. Pacific Coast Highway Long Beach, CA 90803

Montana Ave. (MON) (10398) 1425 Montana Ave. Santa Monica, CA 90403

Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) (10225) 760 South Sepulveda Blvd. El Segundo, CA 90245

Pasadena (PAS) (10108) 3751 E. Foothill Blvd. Pasadena, CA 91107

Porter Ranch (PTR) (10175) 19340 Rinaldi St. Northridge, CA 91326 Redondo Beach (RDB) (10024) 405 North Pacific Coast Hwy. Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Santa Barbara (SBR) (10255) 3761 State St. Santa Barbara, CA 93105

Santa Monica (SMC) (10173) 2201 Wilshire Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 90403

Sherman Oaks East (SHO) (10020) 12905 Riverside Drive Sherman Oaks, CA 91423

Sherman Oaks West (SHW) (10038) 4520 North Sepulveda Blvd. Sherman Oaks, CA 91403

Tarzana (TRZ) (10282) 18700 Ventura Blvd. Suite #190 Tarzana, CA 91356

Thousand Oaks (OKS) (10204) 740 N. Moorpark Rd. Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Torrance (TOR) (10105) 2655 Pacific Coast Hwy Torrance, CA 90505 Valencia (VAL) (10178) 24130 Valencia Blvd. Santa Clarita, CA 91355

Venice (VEN) (10333) 225 Lincoln Blvd. Venice, CA 90291

West Hollywood (HOL) (10109) 7871 Santa Monica Blvd. W. Hollywood CA 90046

West Los Angeles (WLA) (10045) 11666 National Blvd. Los Angeles CA 90064

Westwood (WWD) (10176) Whole Foods Market 1050 Gayley Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90024

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EXHIBIT "2"

Evan J. Smith (SBN 242352) **BRODSKY & SMITH, LLC** 9595 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 900 Beverly Hills, CA 90212 Telephone: (877) 534-2590 Facsimile: (310) 247-0160 4 Attorneys for Plaintiff 5 6 7 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA 8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY 9 10 KIRBY VELASCO on behalf of herself CASE NO.: BC428347 and all others similarly situated, [PROPOSED] PRELIMINARY 12 Plaintiff, APPROVAL ORDER OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT 13 Rita Miller JUDGE: 14 MRS. GOOCH'S NATURAL FOOD 16 DEPT.: 15 MARKETS, INC., Defendants. 16 17 18 19 The Court has received the Stipulation of Class Action Settlement (the "Settlement Agreement" or "Stipulation") by and between (1) Plaintiff Kirby Velasco, on behalf of herself, 20 and on behalf of the Plaintiff Class hereinafter defined; and (2) Defendant Mrs. Gooch's Natural 21 22 Foods Market, Inc., and Whole Foods Market California, Inc. (collectively referred to as "Whole Foods" or "Defendants"). The Court having reviewed the Settlement Agreement and the exhibits 23 24 attached thereto, and good cause appearing, 25 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows: The terms set out in the Stipulation are incorporated herein. Pursuant to Section 26 1. 382 of the California Code of Civil Procedure and for purposes of the Settlement Agreement 27 28 only, the Court preliminary certifies this action as a class action for purposes of Settlement

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Agreement only, on behalf of a class consisting of all persons who at any time from
December 21, 2007, through the Term of this Agreement, were mobility impaired, used, use or
will use wheelchairs for mobility, and who patronized any Whole Foods Store in California or
who allege they would or would have patronized at one or more Whole Foods Store in California
but for allegedly being denied on the basis of disability the full and equal enjoyment of the
goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations of such Whole Foods
Store(s) (the "Settlement Class"). For the purposes of settlement only, Plaintiff Kirby Velasco is
certified as representative of the Settlement Class and Plaintiff's Counsel Brodsky & Smith, LLC
is designated counsel for the Settlement Class.

- 2. The Court preliminarily finds and concludes, for purposes of settlement only, that the requirements of Section 382 of the California Code of Civil Procedure have been met and the requirements of the California Code of Civil Procedure and due process have been satisfied in connection with the Notice (as defined below).
- 3. The Court preliminarily finds and concludes that the Court's preliminary evaluation of the Settlement does not disclose grounds to doubt its fairness or other obvious deficiencies, the Settlement is within the "range of reasonableness," and the scheduling of a formal fairness hearing is warranted; accordingly, Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement is granted.
- - Determine whether the Settlement Agreement should be approved by the Court as fair, reasonable, adequate and in the best interests of the Settlement Class;
 - Determine whether Final Judgment should be entered pursuant to the Stipulation Agreement dismissing the action with prejudice and extinguishing and releasing all released claims;

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- Determine whether the Settlement Class should be finally certified and whether Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Counsel have adequately represented the Settlement Class;
- d. Rule on an application of Plaintiff's Counsel for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of expenses, as well as an application for an incentive award for the Plaintiff, in accordance with the Stipulation; and
- e. Rule on such matters as the Court may deem appropriate.
- 5. The Court may adjourn the Settlement Hearing or any part thereof, including the consideration of the application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of expenses, without further notice of any kind other than oral announcement at the Settlement Hearing or any adjournment thereof.
- 6. The Court may approve the Settlement Agreement at or after the Settlement Hearing with such modification as may be consented by the parties to the Stipulation and without further notice to the Settlement Class.
- 7. The Claims Administrator shall, at least 60 days prior to the Final Approval Hearing, give notice of the Settlement Hearing pursuant to the Notice Plan attached to the Stipulation.
- 8. The Court approves, in form and content, the Notice Plan and finds that the giving of notice as specified therein meets the requirements of the California Code of Civil Procedure and due process, is the best notice practicable under the circumstances and shall constitute due and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice. The Settlement Administrator shall, not later than ten (10) business days prior to the Settlement Hearing, file a declaration showing compliance with the Notice provisions of this Order. Plaintiff shall, not later than seven days prior to the Final Approval Hearing file papers in support of the Settlement Agreement.
- 9. Any member of the Settlement Class may object to the Settlement Agreement, the class action determination, the judgment to be entered in the action, and/or Plaintiff's application for incentive award, attorneys' fees and expenses, or otherwise request to be heard, in person or

by counsel, concerning any matter properly before the Court at the Settlement Hearing; provided, however, that no objection shall be considered by the Court unless filed with the Court and 2 served upon counsel listed below in written form including: (i) the person's or entity's name, 3 address and telephone number; (ii) the reasons for the objection; and iii) a statement that the 4 objector is a member of the class and the type of disability; at least 21 days prior to the Final 5 Approval Hearing. Any person or entity that wishes to appear must file such papers and serve by 6 hand, mail or overnight mail upon the following counsel on or before the date of filing with the 7 8 Court: 9 Evan J. Smith esmith@brodsky-smith.com BRODŠKY & SMITH, LLC 10 Two Bala Plaza, Suite 602 11

Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

Derek Havel dhavel@sheppardmullin.com SHEPPARD MULLIN 333 South Hope Street, 43rd Floor Los Angeles, California 90071-1422

Unless the Court otherwise directs, no person or entity shall be entitled to object 10. to the approval of the Settlement Agreement, any judgment entered thereon, the adequacy of the representation of the Settlement Class, any award of attorneys' fees or reimbursement of expenses, except by serving and filing a written objection as prescribed in Paragraph 9 above. Any person or entity who fails to object in the manner described above shall be deemed to have waived the right to object (including any right of appeal) and shall be forever barred from raising such objection in this or any other action or proceeding.

- All proceedings in this action are stayed until further order of the Court, except as 11. may be necessary to implement the Settlement Agreement or comply with the terms of the Settlement Agreement or this Order.
- The Court hereby preliminarily enjoins any class member from commencing or 12. prosecuting any class injunctive claims, pending the final determination as to whether the Settlement Agreement should be approved.

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- 13. If the Settlement Agreement, including any amendment made in accordance with the Stipulation, is not approved by the Court or shall not become effective for any reason whatsoever, the Settlement Agreement (including any modification thereof), any class certification herein and any action taken or to be taken in connection therewith (including this Order and any judgment entered herein) shall be terminated and shall become null and void and of no further force and effect except for Defendant's obligation to pay for expenses incurred in connection with the Notice provided for by this Order, and neither the Stipulation, nor any provision contained in the Stipulation, nor any action undertaken pursuant thereto, nor the negotiation thereof by any party, shall be deemed an admission or offered or received as evidence at any proceeding in this or any other action or proceeding.
- 14. In any event, neither the Stipulation nor any provisions contained in the Stipulation, nor any negotiations, statements or proceedings in connection therewith, shall be construed, or deemed to be evidence of, an admission or concession on the part of Plaintiff, Defendant, any Settlement Class member, or any other person or entity of any liability or wrongdoing by them, or any of them as to any claim alleged or asserted in the action or otherwise, and shall not be offered or received in evidence in any action or proceeding (except in an action or proceeding to enforce the terms and conditions of the Stipulation), or be used in any way as an admission, concession or evidence of any liability or wrongdoing of any nature, and shall not be construed as, or deemed to be evidence of, an admission or concession that Plaintiff, his counsel, and the members of the Settlement Class, or any other person or entity, has or has not suffered any damage.
- 15. Counsel for the Parties shall file any supporting papers for the Final Approval of the Settlement no later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the Final Approval Hearing.
- 16. If the Settlement Agreement shall be approved by the Court following the Settlement Hearing, an Order and Final Judgment shall be entered as described in the Stipulation.
- 17. The Court may, for good cause, extend any of the deadlines set forth in this Order without further notice to class members.

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Evan J. Smith (SBN 242352) **BRODSKY & SMITH, LLC** 9595 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 900 Beverly Hills, CA 90212 Telephone: (877) 534-2590 Facsimile: (310) 247-0160 Attorneys for Plaintiff SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES COUNTY KIRBY VELASCO on behalf of herself CASE NO.: BC428347 and all others similarly situated, JUDGE: Plaintiff, DEPT.: MRS. GOOCH'S NATURAL FOOD MARKETS, INC., Defendants. **NOTICE PLAN** 1.

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Based upon counsel's experience, consultation with claims administrators, and review of similar class certification notices and notice plans in the ADA realm, the parties submit the following notice plan to be adequate and reasonable to protect the due process rights of absent class members, and which is intended to provide the best notice practicable to class members:

Copies of the Long Form Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement (attached to the Settlement Agreement as Exhibit "4") in English and Spanish shall be maintained by the store manager of each Whole Foods Location and made available upon request. It shall also be posted on the dedicated website for this settlement as stated below.

Direct mail of the Long Form Notice to persons on a proprietary marketing list obtained from Accudata Company will be accomplished. Accudata has provided a list of the names and

addresses of persons in the Los Angeles area who have responded to a survey saying that either they or someone in their household is mobility impaired or uses a wheelchair or scooter for mobility. The list contains over 10,000 of these addresses. This direct mail notice procedure, making use of the Accudata list, was approved by the Court in the *Lucas v. K-Mart* ADA class action settlement, 2006 WL 722163 (D.Co. March 22, 2006) (certifying the class), as well as *Pizarro v International Coffee & Tea, LLC*, 06-7448 (PSG) (certifying settlement class).

- 2. The Summary Form Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement (attached to the Settlement Agreement as Exhibit "5") shall be posted at each Whole Foods location at least 60 days prior to the scheduled Final Approval Hearing. It shall also be posted on the dedicated website as stated below. The Summary Form Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement shall also be provided by publication four (4) consecutive weekends, no larger than one quarter page, in the legal notice section of the following papers of general circulation: The Los Angeles Times, The San Diego Union Tribune, The San Francisco Chronicle, The Sacramento Bee, The Riverside Press, and The Oakland Tribune. The Notice shall include a sentence in Spanish that a Spanish version of the Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement is available by calling a dedicated number and on a dedicated webpage with the webpage URL listed thereon.
- 3. An individual who wishes to submit a damages claim will have to complete and timely submit a claim form to the Claims Administrator at the address provided on the claim form. To be valid, a claim form must be postmarked no later than twenty-one days prior to the Final Approval Hearing. A claim form shall be made available upon request to all class members at each Whole Foods store, on the website, and by contacting class counsel.
- 4. A web page called "CAWhole FoodsAccessSettlement.com", or something similar thereto, will be created and maintained from the date of the Preliminary Approval until the fairness hearing concludes. The web page will have the following opening page:

"Settlement of Claims Against Whole Foods for Disabled Access. A class settlement agreement has been reached that will limit current and future claims of individuals with mobility impairments against any Whole Foods store in California. THIS SETTLEMENT WILL EXTINGUISH AND/OR BAR CLAIMS/LAWSUITS FOR INJUNCTIVE OR DECLARATORY RELIEF AND STATUTORY DAMAGE

CLAIMS UNDER THE UNRUH AND CDPA WITH RESPECT TO THE ACCESSIBILITY OF ANY WHOLE FOODS STORE IN CALIFORNIA. Objections to this class settlement agreement must be filed no later than ______. Click here to review and download the Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement with instructions for those individuals who wish to object to this class settlement agreement, or here to view the Stipulation of Settlement (Settlement Agreement)."

The web page will also contain the above quoted paragraph translated to Spanish,

Korean, Vietnamese, and Mandarin with links to the Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement translated to those languages.

5. As set forth in the Summary Notice and Long Form Notices of Proposed Class Action Settlement, at no cost, copies of any or all settlement documents will be sent to anyone submitting a written request to Brodsky & Smith, LLC (attn Evan Smith) at Brodsky & Smith, LLC, Bala Plaza, Suite 602, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania 19004, or by email to clients@brodsky-smith.com. In addition, the preliminary approval order, proposed final Judgment and Order, and all settlement documents will be available on the dedicated website.

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1	website explains how to exclude yourself or how to object. You MUST follow these detailed instructions in order to properly exclude yourself or object to the settlement.				
2	The Superior Court for the State of California in the County of Los Angeles, will hold a				
3	hearing before Judge Rita Miller on Monday, 2011 at at 111 N. Hill Street, Department 16, Los Angeles, CA to consider whether to approve the settlement, the				
4	incentive award for the class representatives, and the request for attorneys' fees and costs by lawyers representing the class. The detailed notice explains how you or your attorney can				
5	participate in that hearing.				
6 7	THIS IS AN INCOMPLETE SUMMARY OF THE SETTLEMENT. PLEASE CALL THE NUMBER BELOW OR VISIT THE WEBSITE BELOW FOR THE FULL SUMMARY.				
	[Claims Administrator]				
8	www.WholeFoodsSettlement.com.				
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0	IN SPANISH: "A class settlement has been reached that will limit current and future claims/lawsuits of individuals with mobility impairments against Whole Foods with respect				
1	to the accessibility of any of its stores in California. Copies of the Settlement Agreement with instructions for opting out, objecting, and/or submitting a claim may be obtained by				
2	download on the internet at http://wwwcom" or by calling 888-XXX-XXXX."				
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